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Incident: Vehicle Pursuit and Arrest

Location: Main Street & Mills Road

Date/Time Occurred: 10/15/17 @ 1430 hours

Officer(s) Involved: VPD Patrol

Suspect(s): Natalie Bustillos 60, Ventura Resident

Report Number: 17-13659

Narrative:

On the above date and time, a Ventura police officer on patrol attempted to stop the suspect, later identified as Natalie Bustillos, for a moving violation in the area of Main Street and Mills Road. The officer activated his emergency lights to initiate the traffic stop, but Bustillos failed to yield and drove east through the intersection against a red signal.

The officer initiated a pursuit as Bustillos proceeded to travel east on Main Street to Callens Road. Bustillos conducted a U-turn at Callens Road and drove back to Mills Road where she turned and drove north towards the Pacific View Mall. Bustillos entered the PVM parking lot at a high rate of speed, almost striking several pedestrians.

Bustillos stopped her vehicle in the parking lot and fled on foot into the Target store. Officers gave chase and were able to stop Bustillos just inside the storefront. Bustillos violently resisted officers as they attempted to take her into custody. Additional officers arrived on scene, and after a brief struggle, they were able to detain Bustillos.

One officer received minor injuries as a result of the altercation. The officer did not require medical attention and returned to duty.

Bustillo was placed under arrest and was transported to the Ventura County Jail where she was booked for felony evading a police officer, felony resisting a peace officer while causing injury and operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of a controlled substance.

No citizens injured as a result of this pursuit

The complete press release, including suspect description, can be viewed online at www.venturapd.org

If you have any information about this crime, you can make an anonymous call to Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS.

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